

CHILD SUPERVISION GUIDELINES AVIANO AB, ITALY

The ages specified are the maximum ages and are based on the child’s ability to demonstrate age-appropriate behavior. Children who do not consistently demonstrate age-appropriate behavior should not be given the same degree of self-management responsibilities. Parents are also responsible for considering any physical or mental limitations a child may have when considering how much supervision is necessary. In all instances below where a “yes” is indicated, the parent is responsible for using reasonable judgment and for any incident or mishap (considered preventable) which occurs.

NOTE: Italian law prohibits “abandonment” of any person under 14 years of age or who by reason of mental or physical illness is incapable of caring for him/herself. “Abandonment” is not defined, and could include leaving a child playing unattended or in a car. Parents are therefore cautioned to consider all relevant factors and apply the standards in the first paragraph above. (See also Aviano Instruction 40-301, 1 July 1997, para 8).

Age of Child	Left Without Sitter	Left Alone Overnight	Outside Unattended (Including Playing)	Left in Car Unattended	Youth Sitting for Siblings	Youth Sits for Others
Newborn to Age 4	No	No	No	No	No	No
Age 5	No	No	Yes, playground or yard with immediate access (visual sight or hearing distance) to adult supervision ***	No	No	No
Ages 6-10	No	No	Yes, with immediate access (visual sight or hearing) to adult assistance ***	No	No	No
Ages 11-13	No	No	Yes, with immediate access (visual sight or hearing) to adult assistance ***	Yes, with keys removed and with immediate access (visual sight or hearing) to adult assistance***	No	No
Ages 14-15	Yes, with access to adult assistance ***	No	Yes	Yes, with keys removed	Yes	Yes
Ages 16-17	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with keys removed	Yes, including overnight*/**	Yes including overnight */**

* Youth who baby-sit must have access to an adult, telephone, live near-by, etc.

** Red Cross baby-sitting training or equivalent is recommended.

*** Adult supervision is defined as someone who has or assumes responsibility for the child, i.e. parent, friend, care provider.